

FAMILIARITY with a fat salary never breeds contempt.

The only hope that Dennis Foster has of getting into the university general's office is by picking the lock.

The railroad development at Aransas Pass cannot fail to make it a great industrial centre.

The Sultan of Turkey maintains that missionaries are fomenters of discord. The teachings of peace, the sultan declares to be among their rarest virtues. As a rule they are intolerant as a Turk of the opinions of others and fearful at the gate of Christianity the great keeper stands and cries charity for all men.

The Baltimore beef packing establishment has sent a representative to Aransas Pass to secure a franchise from the Aransas Pass Stockyards company, to build an abattoir at the yards. The Chicago combine, which has recently purchased the Fort Worth packing, will not permit the Baltimore packery to monopolize the fruitful field at Aransas Pass.

JUSTICE FIELD this week denies the periodical remark that he is contemplating an early retirement from the bench of the supreme court. He has had to do this about twice a year ever since he became eligible for retirement. He says he will not retire so long as his health continues good enough for him to perform his duties as easily as he does now. Republicans hope that he will not retire until after March 4, 1897, so that his successor may be a republican.

MISS BARTON, president of the Red Cross society, sailed for Turkey, her purpose being the distribution of relief among the suffering Armenians of that ill fated and mismanaged country. The Red Cross itself will not be recognized by the Musselman government, but a woman whose mission is to distribute charity to the poor and suffering could demand admission to the court of heaven and be accorded entrance.

THE two popes in the Kentucky legislature divided and went one with the democrats the other with the republicans. The old parties tilted on the senatorial vote and the popes knowing a good thing when they see one tightened the Gordian knot. These plebeians among the olympians will make one or the other of the suffering candidates go down in their Kentucky jeans and white-cash a few thousand dollars. The scales will then fall from their eyes, they will see the light and vote accordingly.

JUDGE BARNES, who returned from Washington a few days since, says that Congressman Murphy is doing the best he can to forward the interests of Arizona along. The judge while there heard no adverse comments in reference to statehood for the territories, but at the same time, outside of those immediately interested, nothing was being said in favor of it. Possibly the judge thinks it may come later but he could see no immediate prospect for immediate action. Murphy was, however, doing all he could and was sanguine of success.

THE Star editorially announces that Dennis Foster is "an uncompromising free silver man." This announcement, which on its face appears to be a compliment, is really intended as a killer and a marked copy will be sent to the president for that purpose. But if Dennis follows the illustrious example of the chief executive of the territory he will not allow a little thing that to impinge upon the diaphragm of office. It takes a heavier grade than consistency or principle to stall the average democrat when he goes office seeking.

NEGOTIATIONS were closed yesterday whereby the gas plant of this city passes into the hands of the Electric Light & Power company. It is now a home company, every share of the stock being held in this city. It will, it is stated, be the only gas plant in a fair business like manner, not raising the price of electric lights at all, but advancing the price to go to afford them a fair profit above the cost of production. The price of lights established by the electric light company, when it entered in the arena for business, was as low as in most of the cities of the Pacific coast, and lower than that where there was no competition. Both companies being now in the hands of home capital, every dollar either expended in running of the plants or in dividends, should any be declared, will be left at home. We wish the new combination success just so long as it deals fairly with its patrons—the people. This we have reason to believe will be the aim of the new management as it was that of the old.

THE American Angler of New York contains a remarkable "give away" on Florida tarpon fishing. It is an advertisement of the Tropical Fruit Line, over the subscription of G. D. Ackley, G. P. A. Jacksonville, Fla. The prominent feature of the advertisement is a cut from the well-known photograph made in Corpus Christi from the largest tarpon ever caught in Aransas Pass waters. The fish was over eight feet long, and weighed over two hundred pounds. It is readily identified by the man and boy who were photographed with it. A note under the cut says it is reproduced from a catch on the Tropical Fruit Line. It is rather rough on Florida to have to steal Aransas Pass tarpon to advertise her own alleged tarpon fishing.—Aransas Pass Herald.

Aransas Pass has completely eclipsed Florida as a tarpon fishing ground. Fishing for tarpon in still water, where he swims the bait, as in Florida, is compared with trolling for tarpon in swift waters, where he strikes the live bait and you hook him in the mouth, as at Aransas Pass, is in degree of sport as different as shooting game on the ground from on the wing. Florida is simply not in it with Aransas Pass. The Herald should not, therefore, begrudge the Florida railroads the cold comfort of using an Aransas Pass tarpon to advertise the piscatorial attractions of the state. Little things like this are necessary to divert a portion of the tide of travel that has turned toward Aransas Pass.

UNIVERSITY DORMITORY BUILDING STONE

The following is an abstract of a report recently made to the board of regents of the University of Arizona by Prof. Wm. P. Blake, director of the school of mines:

The stone used in the construction of the new dormitory is a compactly cemented tuff, a kind of volcanic sand stone made up of fragments of granite and quartz porphyry. These materials are so closely united by chemical action as to form a homogeneous stone which breaks equally well in every direction and dresses well under the hammer and stone cutter's tools. It is easily quarried out in fine large blocks and can be cheaply worked. It is not so hard as granite, but compares better with good brick, being a porous rock, without grain. It resists heat very well and does not disintegrate. It is not injuriously affected by water, of which it can absorb eight per cent. A cubic foot weighs about 160 lbs and twelve and a half cubic feet will weigh one ton of 2000 lbs.

The color is uniform and pleasing, being a light grayish green. It does not absorb heat rapidly, being in this respect better than a dark colored stone. There are no injurious elements present which would discolor the stone by chemical change.

This stone has many points of excellence which should cause it to be largely used for both public and private buildings. It is quarried a few miles south of the city on the Quintero road and forms a part of an extensive formation upon which several quarries have been opened at different places, yielding stone of the same general character but differing somewhat in color and composition.

PREHISTORIC PUEBLO

The ancient ruins near Phoenix contain in some places strange beds or accumulations of a coal black substance which was at first supposed to be mineral coal. When dug into it was found to be only a few feet in thickness and to be of comparatively small extent. Samples obtained by Hon. S. M. Franklin and submitted to Prof. Blake at the university have been carefully examined.

The substance is hard and heavier than stone coal, but is combustible and leaves a voluminous gray ash, about forty per cent by weight of the substance. This ash contains considerable sand, evidently mechanically mixed or incorporated with the combustible portion. It burns without smoke, and glows like burning charcoal before a blast of air. It appears to be an agglomeration of fragments of charcoal so hardened and cemented together as to form a homogeneous mass which resembles coke rather than charcoal. Traces of organic woody structure are visible in some of the fragments. The cementing substance does not appear to be bituminous and it is difficult to explain how the fragments became so incorporated and fragments became so incorporated and fragments became so incorporated.

It is suggested that this was a fuel prepared for the sacred fire and that some organic substance, possibly blood, was used as the cement. The mass exhales a "somewhat disagreeable, sooty odor when rubbed or moistened. The specimens show traces of rude layering or bedding and Prof. Blake thinks that the mass formed the floor or foundation of an estufa where the Aztecs kept their sacred fires burning for a long period.

On Saturday afternoon, when the Crazed had gone to press, the following telegram was received from Delegate Murphy in Washington:

Do not understand the territorial papers as no adverse action on statehood has been had. This special to a Chicago paper had no foundation in fact.

N. O. MURPHY.

The only explanation we can give is the fact that the Arizona papers have been misled. They took their cue from the dispatches sent them and commented accordingly. True there may have been no adverse action, but no action is as bad if not worse than adverse action. The wires scattered broadcast over the nation that there would be no report on the application of the territories for congress to act at this session. The dispatches furthermore charged Speaker Reed and associates with turning the territories down in the interests of the gold men. Naturally enough this provoked hostile criticism not only in the territories but among the friends of the territories in Texas, Colorado and California. Of course if these things are not so and we have done Speaker Reed or anyone else an injustice we are willing to make amends. To the friends of Arizona we hope ever to have a good word. For her enemies none. Delegate Murphy is, we are satisfied, doing the very best he can for Arizona and statehood. He is an indomitable worker and we have faith in his labors. If he fails it will be through no fault of his.

THE Tucson Cycle club, a social organization should receive the hearty support and encouragement of all citizens who are interested in securing for themselves and families a delightful park for the purpose of pleasure and recreation. Last fall a lease was secured for a tract of land in the Catalina garden property, which has just been completed, a one fourth mile bicycle track. Before spring arrives the grounds are to be put in thorough repair. Plunge, tub and swimming baths, lawn tennis and hand ball courts, croquet grounds and various outdoor pastimes are to be introduced. Rustic benches will be placed around the grounds, where members and families may enjoy the cool shade, reading or watching others employed at the various games. Evening and Sunday afternoon concerts will be given by the Philharmonic band, at which time a small admission fee will be charged the general public to defray expenses. No intoxicating liquor will be allowed upon the ground, which will ensure good order. The club now enjoys a membership of nearly one hundred among which are some of the most prominent citizens both socially and in business circles. The officers are: H. B. Tenney, president, E. P. Van Kuren, vice president, K. L. Hart, secretary, E. W. Graves, treasurer.

THE young democracy are getting into the Pima county saddle. It is said they have selected their candidates for recorder, probate judge and supervisors. They are said to be well qualified for the office to which they will be nominated.—Star.

The animal decomposition in the fore-

going stub end of thought, lies not so much in the interest of the young democracy as it does in the Star office. The county recorder, probate judge and the board of supervisors were elected by the people and not appointed by the editor of the Star, consequently their tenure of office does not depend upon his smiles or the amount of work they can turn in his direction at the expense of the people, hence these Star office tears.

THE MARYLAND SENATORSHIP.

The Baltimore Sun a paper largely influential in the camp of the Maryland democracy has the following to say of the election of a republican senator from that state and the turning down of Gorman:

The election of Hon. George L. Wellington by the legislature yesterday to succeed Mr. Gibson in the United States senate is one of the most interesting and important events that has occurred in that body for many years. It was a contest in which none but the competitors were thoroughly well known to the people of the state, and about whom, therefore, but little could be said one way or another. From the outset, however, Mr. Wellington demonstrated that the staying power which he displayed as leader of the republican state campaign has developed in him an abiding faith in himself in the campaign before the people. He has shown that he is a full duty to his country. The event marks, we trust, the beginning of the end of the dictatorship over Maryland from the senate of the United States.

CYCLES FOR SIGNAL SERVICE.

Recent Experiments Likely to Add to the Efficiency of the Corps.

The army signal officers have equipped the service with an ingenious arrangement for distributing telegraph and telephone wires. It was found that in throwing insulated or naked wires on the ground preparatory to establishing communicating stations the weight of the reel containing the wire was considerable, and it had to be carried in some sort of a handcart. The arrangement required two men in the operation, one to push the cart, the other to wind and unwind the wire. The latest method is to carry the wire on a reel which is fixed to a bicycle. The rider, by his propulsion of the wheel, distributes the wire in the track of the machine. An ingenious mechanic also permits him to rapidly gather up the wire from the ground, and it is reeled on a spool borne in front of the handle bar.

This use of the bicycle is a great saving of labor and time, and will be of great value in the battlefield, when the rapid construction of communicating lines is of great importance. In front of the saddle this signal corps bicycle will support a case of instruments and tools, in addition to the leather pouches in which the bicycle implements are carried. Supported over the rear wheel of the machine, and directly behind the saddle, is the case which contains the telegraphic and telephonic instruments. The case is so arranged as to be easily removed and replaced anywhere along the line.

This bicycle has been tried with much success in Texas, and it will be adopted generally by the signal lines. The bicycle will probably relieve the weary messenger of the time and lightness, even with the reel of wire and instrument cases, readily permits its being lifted over obstructions such as stone walls, hedges and fallen trees. It will enable the operators to work with speed, both in laying and gathering the lines of wire. The reel will carry insulated as well as naked wire, although experiments with the latter have proved that it is also of much value.

Prehistoric Egyptian Giants.

An 1881, when Prof. Timmerman was engaged in exploring the ruins of an ancient temple of Isis on the banks of the Nile, sixteen miles below Nagah Djid, he opened a row of tombs in which some prehistoric race of giants had been buried. The smallest skeleton out of some sixty odd which were examined during the time Timmerman was excavating at Nagah Djid measured seven feet and eight inches in length and the largest eleven feet and one inch. Memorial tablets were discovered in great numbers, but there was no record that even hinted that they were in the memory of men of extraordinary size. It is believed that the tombs date back to the year 1043 B. C.

A Delicate Dish.

The Berlin Echo has discovered that among the Chinese the "milk" is prized as the most delicious dish. It consists of new-born mice, still blind. They are dipped in oil, and then, in the swallow them very slowly. At the marriage feast of the present emperor of China not less than five thousand of these sleek non-bons glistened on the festive board.

Bikes and Pianos.

Bicycles are said to have seriously affected the sale of pianos in England. The reason given is that when a girl is asked to choose between the two for a present she invariably selects the wheel.

Witty and Clever.

When Prof. Aytoun was wooing Miss Wilson, the daughter of "Christopher North," editor of Blackwood's Magazine, he obtained the lady's consent conditionally on that of her father being gained. This Aytoun was too shy to ask, and he prevailed upon the young lady to ask for herself. "We must deal tenderly with his feelings," said hearty old Christopher; "I'll write my reply on a slip of paper and pin it to your back." "Papa's answer is on the back of my dress," said Miss Wilson as she entered the drawing-room. Turning her round, the delighted suitor read these words: "With the author's compliments."

Marriages on Shipboard.

So many engagements are made on board ship, and so many happy marriages result from them that a captain is kept of the largest Atlantic liners states that men who, for some reason or other, are unable to secure wives at home, take a trip over to America on a voyage of sweetening a girl on the boat.

A roll call meeting will be held at the Congregational church this evening at 7 o'clock. The names of the members of the church will be called in order and each will be asked to respond with a chosen verse of scripture. Those who are not able to attend, are requested to send their responses to be given for them by persons expecting to be present. A very general invitation is extended to all to attend and to participate in the special exercises of the evening. The service will be preparatory to the communion next Sunday morning.

FOREIGN

Russia to Support Turkey if England Attempts to Force the Dardanelles.

A FAKE YARN FROM

Tiburou—The Cuban Revolutionists Defeated—Fillibustering Expedition Betrayed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Jan. 27.—It is believed here that tacit entente exists between Russia and Turkey by the terms of which Russia has engaged to support Turkey in certain events, such as the passage of the Dardanelles by a British fleet. On the other hand it is understood that Turkey has agreed to permit Russia to occupy and pacify Armenia. The Russian policy is held to be opposed to French interests.

HERNANDEZ, Mex., Jan. 29.—A prospector who has just returned from the Island of Tiburou, says his five companions on the island were captured and butchered by the Indians who surprised the camp and took them prisoners. He alone escaped. He says the Indians were massive gold ornaments evidencing the existence of gold on the island.

HAVANA, Jan. 29.—Several members of the central committee of the reformist party have resigned. It is estimated that 10,000 persons have fled from Sabana de Guama, south of Sabana. The garrison repulsed the enemy whose attack was twice renewed. The insurgents suffered severe loss and retreated five miles and then reconcentrated.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—Palms, the head of the Cuban revolutionary party, admitted this morning that the steamer Hawthorne was fitted out by the revolutionists and a cost of \$100,000. He said it was evident that there had been treachery and he believed the ship was scuttled at sea. A searching investigation will be made. Palma denies that he will resign the leadership of the revolutionists.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The Rt. Hon. Hugh C. E. Childers, formerly first lord of the Admiralty; chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster and financial secretary of the treasury is dead.

BONDS.

The Morgan Syndicate Offers To Take \$100,000,000 in Bonds.

CHICAGO, Jan. 29.—The Post's Washington special says: The new Morgan syndicate has given the treasury reserve assurances of its intention to make the \$100,000,000 a success and to that end will have in bids to take the whole issue or any part of it. A jump bid will be made at \$110,000,000 or a little below 3½ per cent basis. A bid for any fractional unsold part of the bonds will be on terms less favorable to the government.

THE STEAMER LEAKED.

And Went to the Bottom—Ten of her Crew Were Drowned.

VINEYARD HAVEN, Mass., Jan. 28.—Twenty-five men were picked up from open boats off Long Island on Monday morning by the schooner Helen H. Benedict, and were landed here late last night. They were found here last night from where they sailed last Sunday. Their ship was the steamer J. W. Hawkins recently purchased at Baltimore for an alleged Cuban cruiser and she sailed from New York on Sunday night having on board between 75 and 100 men bound it is said to join the Cuban insurgents. The rescued men told of a serious leak and the water sprang so rapidly on her that all hands were obliged to take to the boats. Ten men were drowned.

FOR COAST DEFENSE.

Snatch of Senator Lodge's Amendment to the Bond Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The following is Senator Lodge's coast defense bond bill offered today as an amendment to the pending silver bill:

The secretary of the treasury is hereby authorized and directed to issue bonds to the total amount of \$100,000,000 at such times and in such amounts as may be required to carry out the purposes of this section hereinafter described. Said bonds shall be payable in coin twenty years from date of issue. They shall be offered at par to the people of the United States in denominations ranging from \$50 to \$1000 and shall bear interest at the rate of three per cent per annum. Subscriptions to the loan or such portion as may then be required will be opened July 1, 1896, and at such subsequent dates as the secretary of the treasury may determine.

The sum of \$9,000,000 will be annually set aside from the revenue fund of the government for a sinking fund at maturity of the bonds issued under this act at par, and the \$9,000,000 thus annually appropriated shall take precedence of all other appropriations, except those for the sinking fund, now established by law and for the payment of principal and interest of the public debt. The bonds authorized by this act shall constitute a loan to be known as the "coast defense loan," and the proceeds of said bonds shall be kept in the treasury as a fund apart and to be used only for providing for the defense of sea coasts and lakes of the United States and for the manufacture of guns, purchase of sites and erection of forts and batteries for that purpose in accordance with plans prepared by the war department as authorized by the law now or hereafter passed by congress for coast defense.

Disastrous Explosion in a Mine.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Jan. 29.—News has been received from Pittston Junction of a terrific explosion which occurred in the Twin shaft at noon today. Four miners are reported killed and a number injured.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—The two senators from Utah, Frank G. Cannon and Arthur Brown, were on the floor of the senate today for the first time. They were the center of an animated group in the rear chamber where senators gathered to extend them a warm welcome.

The Rev. Dr. Milburn, the blind chaplain, prayed eloquently for the bleeding Armenians.

Baker, of Kansas, presented a petition from Mrs. Waller, wife of ex-United States consul of Madagascar, reciting her husband's arrest, trial by a drum court and transportation in chains to a French prison. Mrs. Waller's petition recited: "By these acts France has held my husband, an American citizen, as an imprisoned felon for the past ten months and I believe and am sure had my husband been a subject of Great Britain he would long have been released." Mrs. Waller asks the American congress to take suitable action.

Pfeffer, populist of Kansas, offered a resolution calling upon the interstate commerce commission for information as to discrimination on the Missouri river ports. The resolution went over.

The Utah senators then drew lots. Cannon won the long term expiring on March 3, 1897; Brown's term until March 3, 1897.

At 10 o'clock Hannabrough rep. of North Dakota, addressed the senate on a resolution instructing the secretary of agriculture to execute the law concerning the distribution of seeds.

Rumors have been circulated here for several days that Senator Mitchell of Oregon had decided to vote against the free coinage bill. The senator says he will vote for the bill and says it will pass without the votes of the Utah senators. In the house today a bill was passed on motion of Towne of Minnesota, to amend the act of 1889 for the relief and civilization of Chippewas so as to permit the secretary of the interior in his discretion to select pine lands in the reservation in blocks of 10,000 acres or less. Some 1,000,000 acres are to be sold under act of 1889.

When the passage by the senate of the Armenian resolution was announced Quigg, of New York, a member of the foreign affairs committee, moved that the senate resolution be substituted for that of the house.

Heppburn, rep. of Iowa has given notice of an amendment to the Armenian resolution instructing the president to give the Turkish minister his passports and end all diplomatic relations with Turkey.

Hitt, chairman of the foreign relations committee, rebuked Heppburn for his extraordinary proposal.

Heppburn's amendment to the Armenian resolution to give the Turkish minister his passports was defeated.

CARDIFF, Wales, Jan. 27.—A terrible explosion took place in a colliery at Tylorstown. The shafts were shattered and the whole town shaken, causing a wild excitement. Fifty-four miners were below when the explosion occurred. Several reached the surface with the dead body of another. It is supposed that nearly all the remainder were killed. Rescue parties have been hurried to the scene, but the work is very dangerous as the pit is on fire.

LAUREN—Advices say that a dozen bodies have been recovered from the colliery, but that twelve men are still missing.

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—United States ambassador, Theodore Bunyon, who has been ill for some time awake about midnight and complained of suffering a pain in his heart. Dr. Gruenau was summoned. When he reached the ambassador's residence he found Bunyon was unconscious. He died at 1 o'clock. Death was painless and resulted from heart failure.

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—Emperor William, alarmed the Berlin garrison early this morning, the occasion being his birthday. There was a reception in the White Hall of the Schloss in the forenoon. He conferred the cross of Grand Commander of Hohenzollern family order upon Prince Hohenzollern, imperial chancellor, and decorated the minister of Habsburg von Hammerstein Loxten, with the order of the red eagle. There was a family dinner at the Palace afterwards. Emperor William was born January 3, 1859 and became emperor June 14, 1888.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The senate Marble room was completely filled today by a delegation of ladies from the National Equal Suffrage association, who appeared before the senate committee on woman suffrage to present a plea for recognition at the ballot box. Senators Call and Peffer were the only members of the committee present and they arrived late. Speeches were limited to five minutes. The speakers were presented by Dr. Annie Shaw.

The speakers dwelt upon the right of female sex to equal participation with men in shaping legislation and almost all referred to the injustice of taxing women without their vote. The delegation visited the judiciary committee of the house.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Jan. 28.—Adolph Sutro, of San Francisco, who secured the introduction of a bill in the Kentucky legislature to revoke the charter of the Southern Pacific railroad company, is making every effort possible to secure the passage of the bill and is now preparing a history of the workings of the company in California.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Jan. 28.—William Simbold, a brakeman who was arrested during the A. R. U. strike in 1894, and remained in jail ten days, has begun suit against the Pennsylvania railway company for \$25,000 for damages for malicious prosecution. It will be made a test case.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Jan. 28.—A ballot of the joint session of legislature for senator is: Hunter 65; Blackburn 56; Henry Watson 9; John Young Brown 1; Wilson 1. "Sound money democrats voted today for Henry Watson."

BERLIN, Jan. 28.—Funeral services were held over the remains of Theodore Runyon, late ambassador of the United States to Germany, at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Only the family and officers of the embassy were present. The official funeral ceremonies will take place at Castle Mondjion, Thursday.

FOR RENT—If you should want a furnished or unfurnished house, rent reasonable, apply to W. H. Rule, 11

CONGRESS

IN SPAIN'S CAPITAL.

Madrid Is Not a Great Place, But It Has Some Good Points.

The city of Madrid is one of the minor capitals of Europe architecturally, and the environment provided by nature for such monuments as it possesses is none of the best, says Harper's Magazine. The surrounding landscape is monotonous and dreary. The few parks are pretty in themselves and the famous promenade, known as the Prado, is broad and pretentious; but these attractions are insufficient to counterbalance the shabbiness of dusty, ill-kept streets and dwellings in a dull, nondescript style. Life in Madrid is rendered diverting upon occasions of public rejoicing by the presence of the court, otherwise it is the same as in other large modern cities, like New York or London, only not so bright. The building alone may claim to be better managed in Madrid than anywhere else. This and the ball game called pelota, which was brought recently from the Basque provinces, are the only important national spectacles, old and picturesque institutions, which survive in the center of Spanish political life.

MAJORITY AND MINORITY

Reports Presented—Senator Tillman Speaks on the Silver Bond Bill.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The senate committee on foreign relations has agreed to report a resolution on the Cuban question. The resolution does not go so far as to recommend recognition but is more emphatic than an expression of sympathy.

Morgan of Alabama from the committee on foreign relations, very promptly after the senate proceedings began today reported on the resolution recognizing the belligerent rights of the Cuban insurgents. The senator read the report in full stating it favored action on the substitute resolution.

Cameron of Pennsylvania presented a minority report. Cameron's resolution was a brief request on the president to interpose his friendly offices for the recognition of the independence of Cuba. The report reviewed the course of President Grant during the former Cuban revolt in seeking to secure the independence of Cuba. The resolution was presented after the vote of the condition of affairs at Cuba. It concluded:

Resolved, that this representation of the views and opinion of congress be sent to the president; and if he occurs therein that he will in a friendly spirit use his good offices to the end that Spain shall be requested to accord to the arms with which it is engaged in war the rights of belligerents as the same as recognized under the law of nations.

Both resolutions went to the calendar. The resolution as to Debs was referred to the judiciary committee.

Tillman of South Carolina made a speech on the pending silver bond bill. The galleries were filled and the senators received it with close attention. All talk about sound money and maintaining the credit of the United States he said was a part of a damnable scheme of robbery having for its purpose the utter destruction of silver as money, the increase of the public debt and the surrender to corporations of power to issue paper money.

He denounced Carle as a Judas and Cleveland as a usurper and the most gigantic failure that that ever occupied the White House.

The house adjourned early today after ineffectual efforts to pass bills to denote currency and to relax the present position.

The National Board of Trade today adopted resolutions favoring the retirement of legal tender and the extension of the national bank system and approving the Terry bankruptcy bill.

THE Mineral Market. New York, Jan. 29.—Silver bars.....67½ Lead.....\$2.90

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 29.—Mexican dollars.....33½ (33½)

Bills Wants Patching.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 29.—Billy Gallagher, who claims to be the middle weight champion of this coast, received a challenge today from J. J. Flynn, of Wilhams, Arizona, to fight a finish for \$225. Gallagher will leave tomorrow for Arizona with \$250 in his clothes.

A NOTED OLD HOUSE.

One of the Residences in Georgetown and Something About Its History.

There is a house in Georgetown which has been the home of a foreign influence about it. It is a large, substantial though unpretentious mansion, minus low windows, turrets and other accessories which mark the modern dwelling. It stands at the corner of Twenty-ninth and N streets. It was planned, says the Washington Star, by the owner, a man of fine attainments, literary tastes and a great scholar. He held office under the government, and, not having a surplus of the "needful," was compelled to mortgage the house.

The money was loaned from the estate of the celebrated Polish patriot, Gen. Adam Mickiewicz, by Col. George Bonford, the owner at that time of beautiful Kalorama.

The owner did not live long to enjoy his comfortable home, and his widow was compelled to rent it in order to pay off the mortgage. The first foreign tenant was Count Montolieu, whose father was exiled with Napoleon Bonaparte. His wife was Victoria, daughter of Gen. Grant. The count was a charming man, and most agreeable in all his business dealings with whom he termed his "amiable landlord."

The minister from Mexico was the next foreign tenant, but he died shortly after taking the house.

Baron Gervais, who lived in the house, and was so pleased with it that he made a proposition to purchase it. Chevalier de Potestad, of the Spanish legation, whose wife was the beautiful Miss Chapman, granddaughter of the celebrated Dr. Cassin, of Philadelphia, was a tenant during the war, and when there was a scare here on account of the southern troops being near the capital promised to hoist the Spanish flag should the place be invaded.

The house did not last for distinguished American tenants. R. Barnwell Rhet, of South Carolina, a noted secessionist, succeeded Count Montolieu, and purchased from him his elegant Parisian furniture; Mr. Allen, an editor from St. Louis; Gov. Fulton, senator from Arkansas; Col. Charles Ellet, the great engineer; Mr. Worthington, a gentleman of wealth, whose daughter married Col. William H. Phillips, a lawyer of note in Washington, and others.

TRICKS OF ANIMAL HUMBUGS.

Almost Human Intelligence Shown in Trying to Avoid Traps.

In military stables horses are known to have pretended to be lame in order to avoid going to a military exercise. A chimpanzee had been fed on cake when sick; after his recovery he often feigned coughing in order to procure dainties. The cuckoo, as is well known, lays its eggs in another bird's nest, and to make the deception work it takes away one of the eggs. The bird then shows itself conscious of its deceit, as is shown by the fact that they try to act secretly and noiselessly; they take a sense of guilt if detected; they take precautions in advance to avoid discovery; in some cases they manifest regret and repentance. Thus, being which steal hearts often before and after their exploits, as if they feared punishment. A naturalist describes how his monkey committed theft; while he pretended to sleep the animal regarded him with hesitation, and a fidgety every time his master moved or seemed on the point of awakening.

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